

South Carolina
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Talking Book Services

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WE HAVE SUCCESSFULLY MOVED!

The South Carolina State Library is now consolidated into one building at 1500 Senate Street. Talking Book Services finished moving the collection on December 14. It was a long process. We had to downsize the audio cassette collection before we could move it. We had new compact shelving installed so that we could get as much of the collection as possible in and still have room for growth. All together we moved approximately 120,000 green cases and 78,000 blue cases. At the same time we were returning another 100,000 plus to the National Library

Service as required by law. We are tired but happy with the new setup!



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STATE LIBRARY

YOUR RESPONSIBILITIES AS A PATRON OF TALKING BOOK SERVICES

- ▶ Registered readers accept responsibility for using materials with reasonable care and for returning them to the library.
- ▶ Borrowers may return materials through “Free Matter” mailing and are expected to use the same mailing containers in which books and cassette players were mailed. Pre-addressed postage-free mailing labels are provided.
- ▶ Registered readers must notify the library when there is a change of address or phone numbers, a desire to cancel or suspend service, or a need to transfer service to another state.
- ▶ Borrowers may not lend library materials or equipment to other persons.
- ▶ Only South Carolinians unable to use standard printed materials as a result of temporary or permanent visual or physical limitations are eligible for services in South Carolina.
- ▶ Patrons must check out at least one book a year to remain active in the service.
- ▶ Violation of library policies may result in suspension of some or all library services.
- ▶ Repeated violation of policies or abuse of library staff results in permanent suspension of services.
- ▶ Those not in good standing are subject to limitations imposed at the discretion of the Director of Talking Book Services.

HELPFUL TIP!

Each book you receive is in a mailing case that is specific to that book title. To avoid delays in your service, please make sure you do not put the wrong book in a case. Also, make sure the book is in the case before you mail it back!

MAGAZINES GOING DIGITAL!

NLS is phasing out the cassettes by 2015. It is extremely important that you get a digital player if you do not already have one. Magazines will soon only be available in digital format. The National Library Service tells us it could begin as soon as this month.

The recorded version of Talking Book Topics will go digital with the next edition, January/February. Most of you already have the digital player. Don't miss out because you do not have a digital player yet! For the few of you who do not have one yet, now is the time to get it!



SPREAD THE WORD!

If you know someone who qualifies to use Talking Book Services, have them call us. We can send them an application and get them started reading again in no time!

YOUR KEY TO ORDERING BOOKS:

DB: Digital book

DSC: Locally recorded digital book

DW: Descriptive DVD video

LP: Large Print book

RC: Recorded cassette (old format)



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**The South Carolina State Library
Talking Book Services
Presents**

Celebrate Art! 2013!

Talking Book Services invites all visually impaired and blind students in South Carolina to create a work of art to be entered into the Celebrate Art! Exhibition.

Divisions:

Grades 1 – 4

Grades 5 – 8

Grades 9 – 12

Judges will choose a winner in each division. Winners will receive a prize.

State Librarian Award: Grand Prize

The State Library Director will select one piece of art from those entered in the State Librarian Award category to receive the State Librarian Award. The selected art will become a permanent part of the South Carolina State Library's Student Art Gallery.

Entry deadline: March 29, 2013

(Please contact us if assistance is required in getting artwork to the State Library)

Reception and award ceremony will be held in May. Specifics will be sent to those participating.

All artwork will be displayed in the TBS gallery for one year. At the end of the year, all art will be returned to the schools the students attended at the time of the competition.



Let's Celebrate Art! 2013

Registration

Student's Name _____ Age _____

Parent/Guardian's Name _____

Home Address _____

street

city/state

zipcode

Home Phone _____ email _____

Visual disability _____

School _____

School system _____

School teacher/contact _____

Phone

email

Art Medium _____

Title of Art _____

Available for State Librarian Award? _____yes _____no

(The artwork that wins the State Librarian Award will become a permanent part of the Student Art Gallery at the South Carolina State Library. Only enter if you are willing to leave it permanently with the State Library).

Release: I understand that the art will become the property of the Talking Book Services Art Gallery for a period of one year (or permanently in the case of the State Librarian Award) and will be used for publicity for the gallery and the South Carolina State Library.

Parent/Guardian signature _____

Celebrate Art! Registration form continued:

Student Biography:

Name:

School:

Age/Grade:

Hobbies:

Favorites:

Any other information to share:

RETURN THIS REGISTRATION FORM FOR CELEBRATE ART!
IN AN ENVELOPE MARKED "FREE MATTER FOR THE BLIND
AND PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED" (where the stamp would go)
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